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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the papers, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on August 16, 2006.

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RESPONSE SUBMITTED CONCURRENTLY WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 17, 2006, setting a three (3) month shortened statutory period for response, the Applicants file concurrently herewith a Response and a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114..

Claims 1, 2, 4-7, 10-32 and 34-49 remain pending in the application. Claims 1, 7, 12, 21, 30, 34, and 39 have been amended. No claims have been added or canceled. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 13 of this paper.